

10 of a patient's body [(not represented) in order] and  
11 adapted to deliver and/or sample the fluid (4) to or from  
12 [it] said distal end through at least one channel (7, 8),  
13 [the other] a second end (6) being [called] a proximal  
14 end, [since it is specifically intended] said proximal  
15 end adapted to be connected to a means (9) for  
16 circulating fluid (4), [such as a fluid perfusing and/or  
17 extracting means,]

18 [this catheter being characterized in that,  
19 in order to constitute its] <sup>NO</sup> said distal end of said  
20 catheter, [it comprises beyond a so-called] having a  
21 dividing point (12) located at a predetermined distance  
22 D1 from [its] said proximal end (6), and having at least  
23 two distinct elongated end portions (13, 14) extending  
24 from said dividing point [which:]

25 [-] wherein said at least two end portions,  
26 in at least one rest position of the catheter, extend  
27 substantially parallel to [the] a longitudinal axis of  
28 [this] said catheter, each over a predetermined length  
29 (L1, L2) measurable between a free end of said distal end  
30 (13A, 14A) and the dividing point (12),

31 [-] wherein said at least two end portions  
32 are each made of flexible material so as to be flexible  
33 at least under the effect of a lateral action due to the  
34 displacement of a fluid, and

35 [- contain] wherein each of said at least  
36 two end portions contains at least one segment of at

37 least one of the lumens (2, 3) and [have] has at least  
38 one channel (7, 8) ~~for~~ delivering and/or sampling the  
39 fluid.

1 2. (Amended) The multilumen catheter  
2 according to claim 1, [characterized in that] wherein:

3 - [the] each of said at least two end  
4 portions [have] has a different [lengths] length (L1,  
5 L2), and

6 - the channels with which [these] each of  
7 said at least two end portions are equipped are [disposed  
8 so that each of them] so constructed and arranged such  
9 that each emerges at a different [level of] position  
10 along the catheter.

1 3. (Amended) The multilumen catheter  
2 according to claim 2, [characterized in that] wherein the  
3 channels with which the at least two end portions are  
4 equipped are disposed in a group on each end portion, and  
5 [these] wherein said groups are disposed at different  
6 [levels of] positions along the catheter.

#### REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is filed to add appropriate headings in the specification to conform the specification to U.S. standards, and to amend the claims